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From:

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Re:

Docket # 98N-1038

Dear Sir or Madam:

It is completely unethical for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to remove current labeling requirements for irradiated food.

This letter respectfully requests that the FDA cease from its proposal to delete the labeling requirement for irradiated foods.

As a parent, my children, other family members and myself, are worthy of having the choice to decide whether or not to purchase irradiated foods. Therefore, I demand that the FDA promulgate labeling laws that <u>specifically</u> and <u>clearly</u> designate foods that have been irradiated.

Additionally, labeling requirements for irradiated foods should not expire any time into the future --- labeling of irradiated foods should be law into perpetuity!

Thank you, members of the FDA for understanding and implementing correct action on this very important matter.

Sincerely,